

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO**

JAMES SPRINGER,

Plaintiff,

v.

Civil Action No. 1:23-cv-00781-DHU-LF

**MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM,
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR,
PATRICK ALLEN, and
NM DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH,**

DECLARATION OF A. BLAIR DUNN, ESQ.

I, A. Blair Dunn declare:

1. I am the lead counsel in the above captioned matter.
2. I was the lead counsel in the matter of *Kittner v. Schmidt-Nowara et al.*.
3. Judge David Urias was a defendant in that matter that contained allegations that he had committed legal malpractice.
4. I took Judge Urias's deposition that matter and I concerned that while our interaction was pleasant that it is reasonable that he took the lawsuit as personal and could reasonably be questioned to hold a bias against me that is imparted to any of my clients appearing in front of him.
5. Given the urgent timetables of a hearing set for tomorrow I am offering this declaration on behalf of my client in lieu of an affidavit from him.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct and is executed this 12th day of September 2023.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Blair Dunn', is written over a light gray rectangular background.

A. Blair Dunn, Esq.